TRANSMITTAL OF INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT Docket No. (Under 37 CFR 1.97(b) vipl 27(c)) RDID0092US In Re Application Of: Gaa, Otto et al. NOV 2 1 2001 Serial No. Filing Date Examiner **Group Art Unit** 09/943,639 August 30, 2001 To Be Assigned To Be Assigned Title: METHOD FOR CHECKING THE FITNESS FOR PURPOSE OF ANALYSIS ELEMENTS Address to: **Assistant Commissioner for Patents** Washington, D.C. 20231 37 CFR 1.97(b) The Information Disclosure Statement submitted herewith is being filed within three months of the filing of a national application other than a continued prosecution application under 37 CFR 1.53(d); within three months of the date of entry of the national stage as set forth in 37 CFR 1.491 in an international application; before the mailing of a first Office Action on the merits, or before the mailing of a first Office Action after the filing of a request for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114. 37 CFR 1.97(c) The Information Disclosure Statement submitted herewith is being filed after the period specified in 37 CFR 1.97(b), provided that the Information Disclosure Statement is filed before the mailing date of a Final Action under 37 CFR 1.113, a Notice of Allowance under 37 CFR 1.311, or an Action that otherwise closes prosecution in the application, and is accompanied by one of: ☐ the statement specified in 37 CFR 1.97(e); OR ☐ the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(p).

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